

## House Resolution No. 1302

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven themselves to be outstanding citizens in their local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Margaret Ann Cross Dodge of Salisbury was born on March 11, 1904, into the loving family of Yeaman and Lizzie Hunker Cross who lived near Roanoke; and

**Whereas**, after a wonderful childhood filled with all manner of educational and rewarding experiences, Margaret began a family of her own through her June 15, 1929, marriage to Robert D. Dodge who loved her with all of his heart until his death in 1977 separated them; and

**Whereas**, Margaret has been richly blessed with the love and affection of two children, Jo Ann Dodge Thomas and John Robert Dodge, deceased; three grandchildren, Shari Leann, Denise Joy, and David Brent; and nine great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, after her graduation from Roanoke High School, Margaret taught school at Butner School, Fort Henry School, and Bawker School; attended summer sessions at what was then known as Kirksville State Teachers College; and took correspondence courses to receive her 60-hour lifetime teaching certificate; and

**Whereas**, Margaret joyfully embraced the diverse duties and responsibilities of homemaker when she married, and she also took upon herself the activities associated with the political arena while her husband proudly served as County Treasurer for many years; and

**Whereas**, a former member of Chariton Baptist Church, Margaret also developed and maintained an exceptional reputation for her endeavors with the Lively Workers Club, Democratic Committee of Chariton Township, Chariton County Extension Council, Armstrong Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, 4-H, Chariton County Historical Society, and Chariton County Democratic Women:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive life enjoyed by Margaret Dodge and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes upon attaining her One Hundredth Birthday; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Missouri Centenarian Margaret Ann Cross Dodge of Salisbury, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Therese Sander  
District No. 22

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1302, adopted March 29, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker